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To His Excellency, The Deputy Governor (Presiding),
Gentlemen of the Council, and
Gentlemen of the Society of Colonial Wars,
In the State of California.

Your Excellency and Gentlemen:

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In the Report of the Historian for the year 1920, reference was made to an event that was expected to occur at the annual banquet of the Society on the evening of Forefathers' Day, December 21, 1920, having particular reference to the presentation of bronze Insignia and Certificates of Loyalty to be presented to the Members of the California Society by the representative of His Excellency, the Governor General, in behalf of the General Society as commemorating the services rendered in the Army or Navy of the United States of America, or in civilian work, in behalf of the Government on the part of those who by reason of age, or otherwise, could not participate as soldiers or sailors in the great World War which had terminated successfully to the Allies and their associates.

Your Historian has no hesitancy in saying that from his knowledge of the workings of the Society of Colonial Wars in the United States, the presentation of these Insignia and Certificates marked the greatest event in the affairs of the Society and your Historian does not hesitate to say that too much importance cannot be placed upon this fact, it marking, as it does, the names of all the members of the Society of Colonial Wars in the United States who either participated as soldiers or sailors, or expressed their loyalty in civilian work at a time that marked the greatest conflict that the world has ever known, and to the future Historian and Genealogist this

important information should be accessible. Therefore your Historian presumes to make a complete record of the matter so far as the membership of the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California is concerned.

At the banquet of the Society held at the California Club in the City of Los Angeles, Frank Hervey Pettingell, Esq., the duly accredited representative of Col. William Whitehead Ladd, Governor General of the General Society, presented to each of those who had submitted credentials showing their service, either as soldiers, sailors, or civilians during the period of the world's war in which the United States was engaged, the Insignium or Certificate which, at an expense of several thousand dollars, the General Council of the Society had voted by resolution to give to all members of the Society of Colonial Wars throughout the United States, who had participated in the World's War. This action on the part of the General Council was taken at a meeting of the Council held in the City of Burlington, Vt., June 14. 1919, and it was determined to make the Insignium of bronze after the pattern in miniature of the cross taken from the French at Louisburg on the occasion of the invasion of that place by the colonists in 1745. The Certificate, a copy of which is hereto appended, was, or is, a work of the engraver's art.

The names of the members of this Society to whom these Insignia or Certificates were presented is hereby appended.

WAR SERVICE INSIGNIA

Major Frederick Emerson Allen, U.S.A.
Lanier Bartlett, U.S.N.R.F.
Major Rawlins Cadwallader, M.D., U.S.A.
Lieut. Tristram Roberts Coffin, U.S.A.
Lieut. Edwin David Cooke, U.S.A.
Captain Thomas Frank Cooke, U.S.A.
Lieut.-Colonel Andrew James Copp, Jr., U.S.A.
Lieut.-Colonel George Jules Denis, A.E.F.
Richard Safford Edwards, A.E.F.
Reginald Goodwin Fernald, U.S.A.
Leon Le Lanne French, U.S.A.



Francis Porter Graves, U.S.N. Major Clarence Edward Heald, U.S.A. Richard Leavitt James. U.S.A. Lieut. Bradner Wells Lee, Ir., U.S.N., R.F. Ensign Marcus McLemore Marshall, U.S.N., F.C. Leiut. Ora Alexander Martin, U.S.N. Frederick Schander Moody, U.S.N., R.S. Colonel Seeley Wintersmith Mudd. U.S.A. Lieut. James Rathwell Page, A.E.F. Warren Austin Pike, U.S.A. Sergeant Samuel Knight Rindge, U.S.A., R.F. Lieut. Ellery Wheeler Stone, U.S.N., R.F. Major Walter Kimple Tuller, A.E.F. Major Surgeon Herbert William Yemans, U.S.A. Commander Royall Roller Richardson, U.S.N. Lieut. Harold Swayne Ryerson, U.S.N.

CIVILIAN CERTIFICATES OF MERIT

James Kendall Armsby Pierson Worrall Banning Dr. Marcus Benjamin Judge Benjamin Franklin Bledsoe Samuel Rezeau Brearley Dr. Philip King Brown Commodore James Henry Bull, U.S.N., Ret. Eugene Damon Burbank Dr. Rawlins Cadwallader Harry Rea Callender Edwin Cook Carhart Alvin Bacon Carpenter Lot Curran Clark Philip Tuggle Clay Charles Daniel Daggett Joseph Swallow Davis Abram Cross Denman, Ir. Frederick Halsey Denman Willis Milnor Dixon Prof. Charles Lincoln Edwards Kirke Hart Field · Colonel Jacob Francis Force, M.D. Leon Le Lanne French



Hon. James Rudolph Garfield James Black Gist Vernon Goodwin, Sr. Buford Allen Graves Edward Thomas Harden Dr. John Randolph Haynes Samuel Moody Haskins Prof. Walter Sylvester Hertzog Dr. Edwin Grant Howard William Irving Hollingsworth William Bowne Hunnewell Howard Kellogg James George Harold Janeway John Earle Jardine Richard Williams Kirkley Bradner Wells Lee, Sr. Dr. Andrew Stewart Lobinger Thaddeus Lowe Dr. Cecil Randolph Luton Charles Marshall Dr. Edward Strong Merrill Nichols Milbank Henry Lewis Miller Orra Eugene Monnette Colonel Seeley Wintersmith Mudd Chauncey Percival Overfield Louis Fairman Parsons Everett Robbins Perry Frank Hervey Pettingell George Howard Pettengill Warren Austin Pike Dr. Francis Marion Pottenger Ransom Pratt Nelson Osgood Rhoades William Richardson Staats Warren Chamberlain Tudbury Charles Strong Walton General Charles Henry Whipple, U.S.A., Ret. Benjamin Marshall Wotkyns



It is with extreme regret that we have to chronicle the retirement from the Governorship of His Excellency, Nelson Osgood Rhoades, Esq., who by reason of being called to Mexico in the month of June last, and being detained there for an indefinite period, the expiration of which we do not yet know, compelled him to tender his resignation as Governor, which the Council refused to accept, but he refuses to be a candidate for re-election at the next annual meeting.

Mr. Rhoades' interest in and regard for the Society is most marked and as an evidence of this high esteem, he has presented to the Society a framed group of photographs of the founders of the Society, and also a set of flags consisting of the standard of the United States and the flag of the Society. The formal presentation of these standards will take place at the annual banquet of the Society to be held at the California Club this evening.

I feel sure I am only echoing the sentiments of the entire membership of the Society when I express the hope that the time will soon come when the Society can again honor itself and Mr. Rhoades by electing him to the Governorship.

The growth of the Society has been very good, despite the fact that no special effort or campaign for membership was made.

The membership is as follows:

Membership from organization to December 21,

192024	42
Admitted during year 1921	19
Total membership admitted	61
Loss by death, resignation and dismissal	82
Total membership this date	79

The California Society of Colonial Wars was much honored at the Ninth General Assembly of the General Society, held at Cincinnati, Ohio, January 3rd and 4th, 1921, when that body elected to the office of Historian General, Mr. Frank Hervey Pettingell, late Governor of this Society. The California Society appreciates greatly the honor conferred but believes that the General Society



showed most excellent judgment in having bestowed the honor on one so worthy.

In concluding this report, permit me to express the hope and belief that the Society of Colonial Wars in the State of California will ever maintain its spirit of progress and advancement and in all things illustrate the patriotism, loyalty and fidelity of those ancestors whose deeds and lives give us eligibility to membership.

Very respectfully yours,

EDWARD THOMAS HARDEN,

Historian.

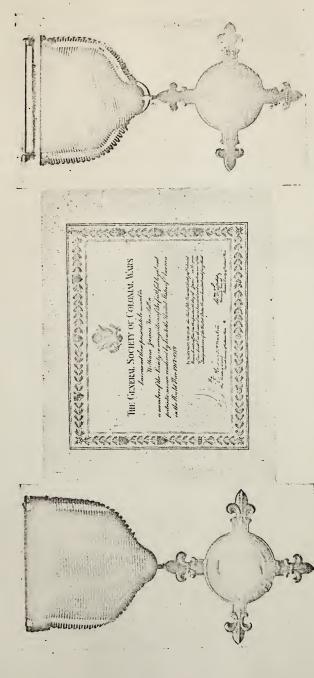
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Cross and Certhicate Presented by the General Society to the Members Who Served in the Army, Navy, Welfare Work and Civic Service.

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